#### IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA AT CHARLESTON

IN RE: ETHICON, INC., PELVIC REPAIR SYSTEM PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION

This document applies to:

ETHICON WAVE 4 CASES LISTED IN EXHIBIT A

Master File No. 2:12-MD-02327 MDL 2327

JOSEPH R. GOODWIN U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE

## NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF PRIOR DAUBERT MOTION CHALLENGING GENERAL-CAUSATION OPINIONS OF NEERAJ KOHLI, M.D. FOR WAVE 4

Defendants hereby adopt and incorporate by reference their *Daubert* motion challenging the general-causation opinion testimony of Neeraj Kohli, M.D. filed in Ethicon Wave 3, Dkt. 2806 (motion) and Dkt. 2809 (memorandum in support). Defendants respectfully request that the Court exclude Dr. Kohli's general-causation testimony, for the reasons expressed in the Wave 3 briefing and, as to his alternative-procedures opinions, for the additional reason that this Court has subsequently found that an alternative surgical procedure is not an alternative design. *See Mullins v. Johnson & Johnson*, No. 2:12-cv-02952, 2017 WL 711766, at \*2 (S.D.W. Va. Feb. 23, 2017); *see also In re: Ethicon, Inc. Pelvic Repair Sys. Prod. Liab. Litig.*, MDL No. 2327, 2017 WL 1264620, at \*3 (S.D.W. Va. Mar. 29, 2017) ("I agree with Ethicon that alternative procedures/surgeries do not inform the issue of whether an alternative design for a product exists.").

This notice applies to the Wave 4 cases identified in Exhibit A attached here.

### Respectfully submitted,

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that on April 11, 2017, I electronically filed this document with the clerk of the court using the CM/ECF system, which will send notification of this filing to CM/ECF participants registered to receive service in this MDL.

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## **EXHIBIT A**

# LIST OF CASES TO WHICH MOTION TO EXCLUDE GENERAL-CAUSATION TESTIMONY OF NEERAJ KOHLI, M.D., M.B.A. APPLIES

- 1. Ella Jean Howard, et al. v. Ethicon, Inc., et al., Civil Action No. 2:12-cv-03976 (TVT-O)
- 2. Zinaida Stepski v. Ethicon, Inc., et al., Civil Action No. 2:12-cv-05342 (TVT-O)

<sup>\*</sup> Defendants reserve the right to supplement this list should any plaintiff designate Dr. Kohli as a general-causation expert in MDL Wave 4.